

Uganda Food Change Lab

PLANNING FOR THE FOOD SYSTEM

of Kabarole district





- Fort Portal: rapidly urbanising
- A ‘bread basket’ for the East African region
- High levels of malnourishment

Objectives of the Uganda Food Change Lab

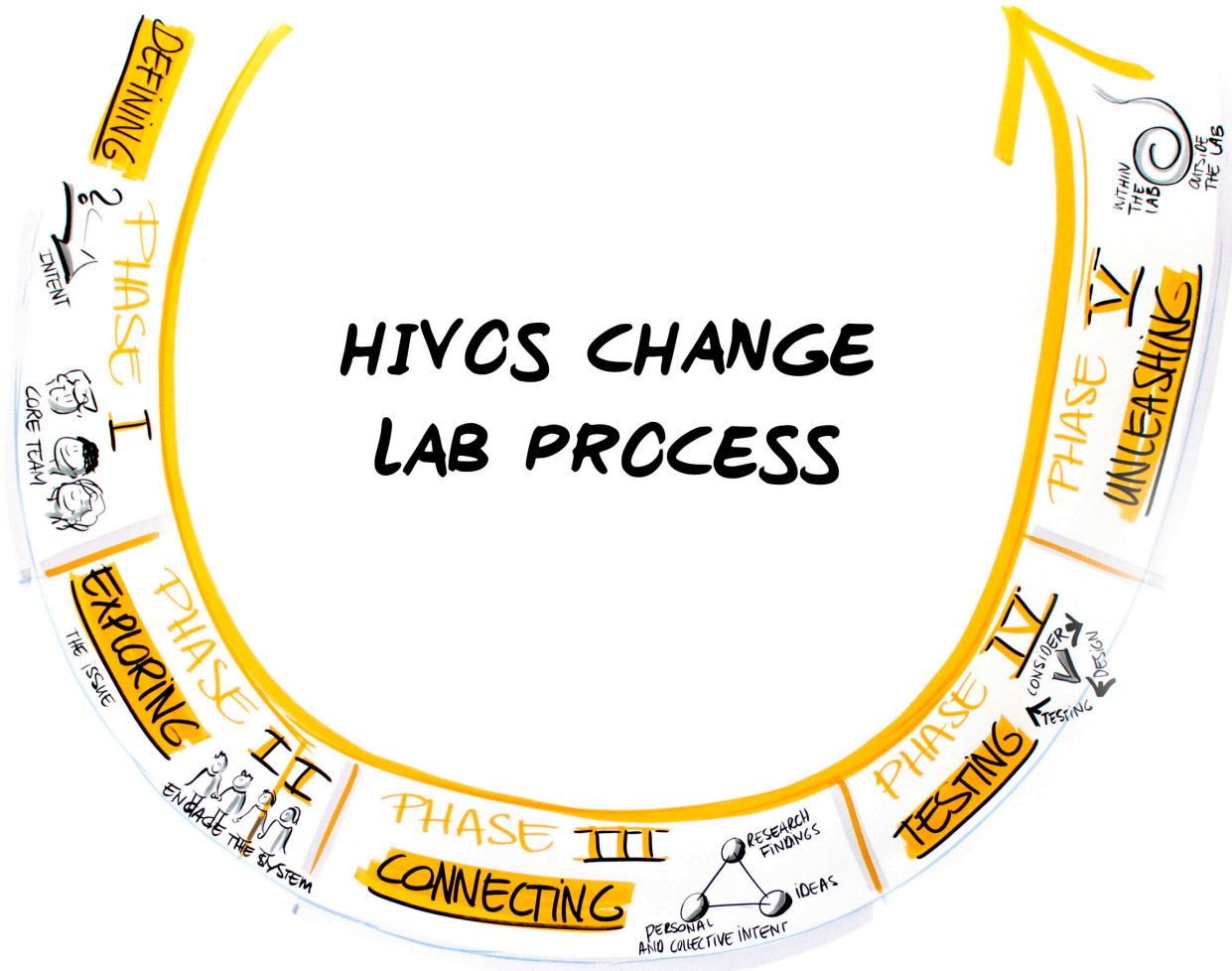
Guiding choices for the growth of Fort Portal city and its rural hinterland, that work for health, jobs, urban citizens, farm households and farmland.

A 'virtuous circle' of rural-
urban local economic
development



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- Phase I - Defining
- Phase II - Exploring
- Phase III - Connecting
- Phase IV - Testing
- Phase V – Unleashing

Phase I DEFINING



“A transformed Ugandan society from a peasant to a modern and prosperous country within 30 years”.

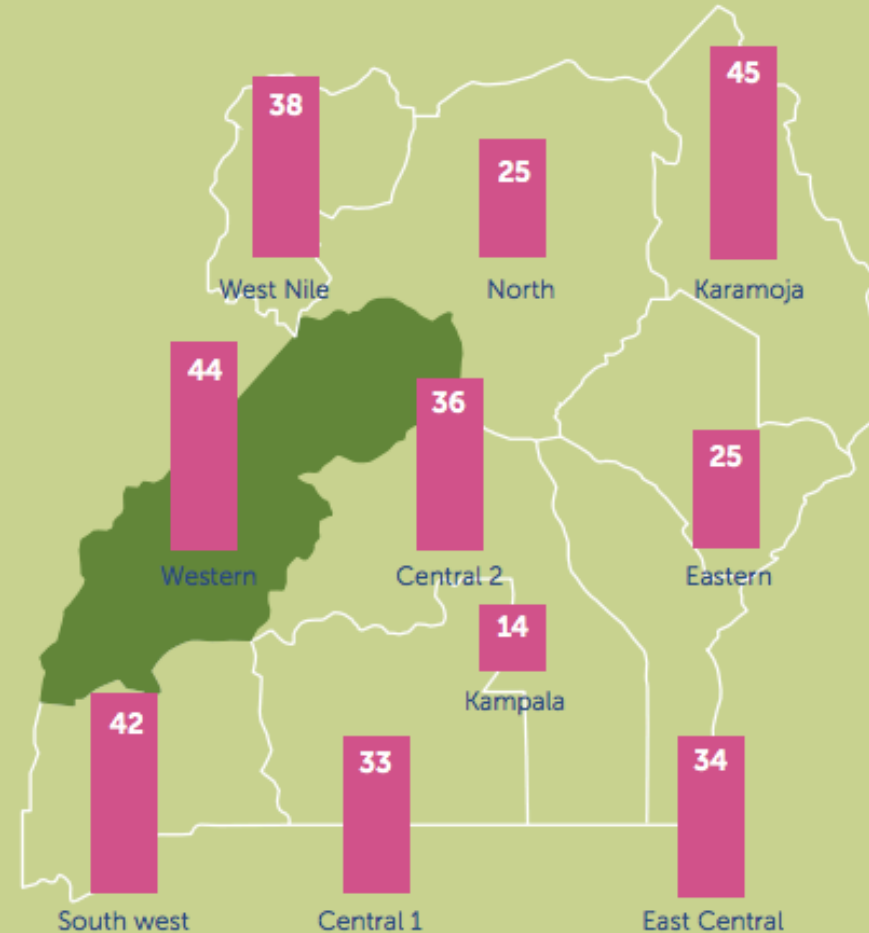
Rapid urbanisation. with growth of urban population from 13% (~6m) → 60% (>20m)

Shrinking agricultural labour force from 66% → 31%

Fort Portal slated to grow **tenfold**

Child Stunting in Uganda³

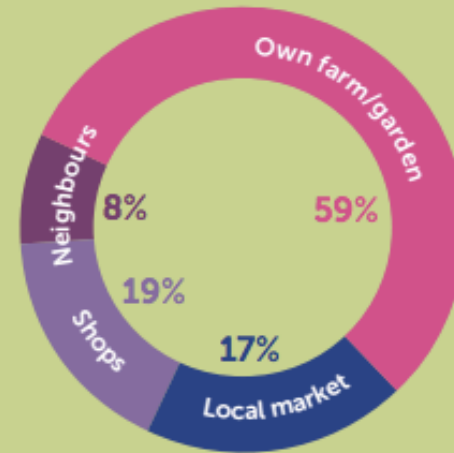
% under-fives, 2014



Phase II EXPLORING

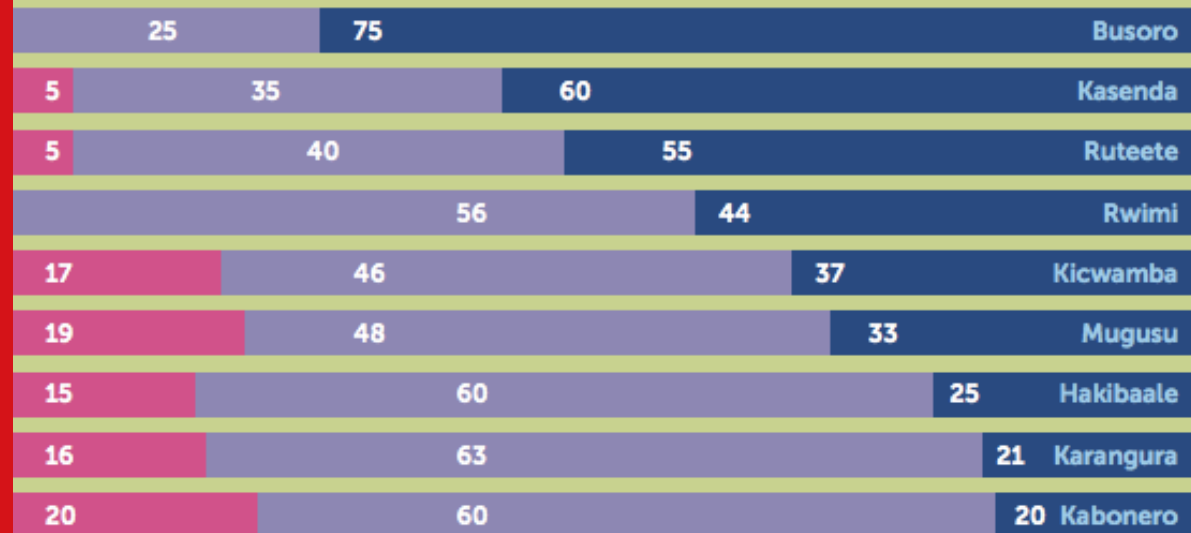


Food sources of farm households in Kabarole ⁴



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Food consumption status of farm households in Kabarole %⁵

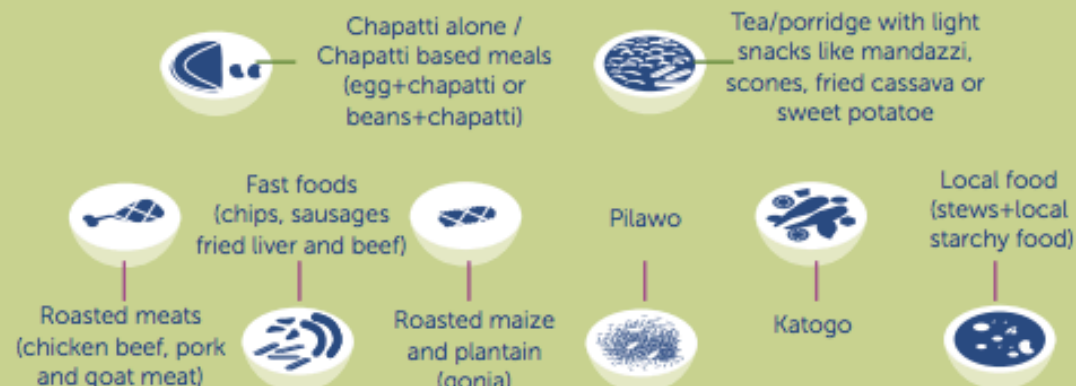


Poor Borderline Acceptable

Reasons for choosing street food in Fort Portal municipality⁶



Available street food in Fort Portal municipality⁷



Export Growth 2005 - 2015⁸

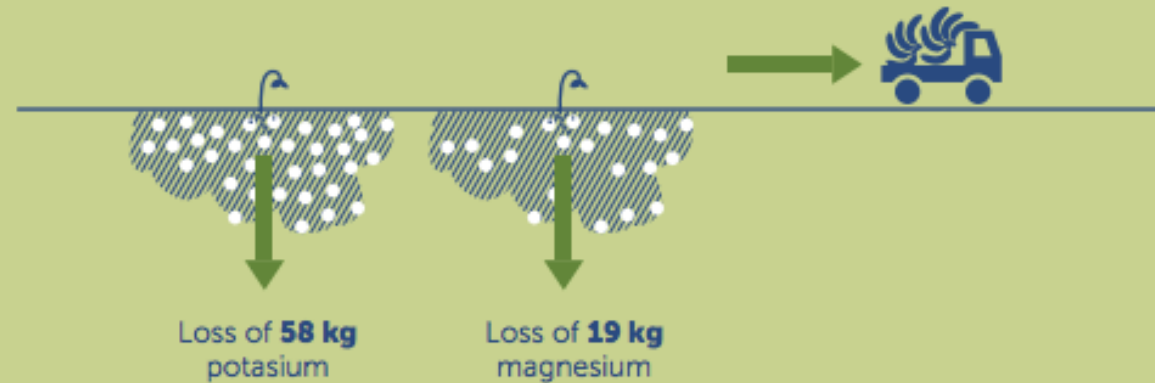
2005: 

2015: 

497 lorries with matooke leave every week along Fort Portal road for Kampala

Nutrient mining from Kabarole soils⁹

with every truck leaving with matooke



Phase III CONNECTING

The People's Summit on Food







'The interaction between the different stakeholders - rural farmers, food vendors, government leadership (political and technical) - ensured a rare occasion of learning from one another.

In our planning system, we rarely integrate the food system along the entire value chain. We normally concentrate on urban planning and development planning without thoroughly integrating the food system as a cross cutting issue. This gap needs to be addressed as cities and towns continue to grow. Over 60% of the population in Uganda is expected to be in urban areas by 2040. We pledge that in the preparation of the third NDP this this will be done. We need to work with the nutrition working group of government to further this discussion.'

Dr. Patrick Birungi, Director Development Planning of the Uganda National Planning Authority

Phase IV TESTING

Sustaining, implementing and owning the Summit's outcomes:

Local level – Coalition of the Willing *Agahikaine*

National level – Hivos, KRC, the National Planning Authority (NPA), the Parliamentary Forum on Food and the Office of the Prime Minister.

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